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▶ A man tosses refuse from an Alexander Avenue rooming house after it caught fire Thursday morning. Two people were forced to jump from a second-floor window to escape the flames. As many as seven people were living in the home, but everyone got out with their lives. The cause remains under investigation.

JAMES TURNER/METRO

Cleaning up after house fire

Crackdown on dog tags paying off: City

Very few dog owners fined so far, officials say ◗ City has low licence compliance rate ◗ $250 fine if caught with unlicensed pet

Winnipeg's Animal Services Agency has snared at least $270,000 in new revenue thanks to a dog-licensing crackdown and awareness campaign unleashed this summer.

The arms-length city agency has sold more than 10,000 licences since the campaign began, said city spokeswoman Alissa Clark.

"The Animal Services Agency is grateful for the number of citizens who have chosen to legalize their dogs," she said.

The agency's website lists annual dog licences as $62 for unsterilized dogs and a reduced rate of $27 for those that have been spayed or neutered. The number of licenses sold has resulted in a minimum of $270,000 in new revenue for the agency.

License revenue funds animal control, housing and caring for strays, as well as paying to reunite them with their owners, among other things, the city said.

Between June 1 and Aug. 31, the city held an amnesty for delinquent and non-licensed dog owners, giving them the chance to purchase licences without being subjected to retroactive fees or additional fines.

However, the city embarked on a zero-tolerance licencing crackdown on Sept. 1, meaning a $250 fine will be issued to anyone caught with an unlicensed dog.

"The (agency) has written very few tickets since the new zero-tolerance policy was adopted because the majority of dogs Animal Services officers are coming across are already licensed," she wrote.

Dog licencing in Winnipeg is nothing new, having been around for about a century.

However, the get-tough approach on dog tags is new.

"The city is placing more of an emphasis on enforcement because revenue helps fund the essential service of animal control," wrote Clark about the recent enforcement. "Every major city in Canada has dog licensing."

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Source: Manitoba Hydro

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Hugh McFadyen's resumé says it all: too big a risk with Manitoba Hydro

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He then went to work for Ontario PC premier Mike Harris and worked to privatize hydro in Ontario.

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No Nickelback in NHL party lineup

Nickelback-spurning pro hockey fans need worry no longer.

Local rock legends Randy Bachman and Fred Turner have been tapped to headline an NHL season kick-off party at The Forks next weekend.

The NHL announced Thursday the duo, along with Three Days Grace and local rockers Inward Eye, will perform as part of the 2011 Molson Canadian NHL Face-Off festival Oct. 6.

The formal announcement ends much speculation the hockey league was planning to hire Nickelback to headline, setting off a social-media firestorm by folks pleading with the league to stop it from happening.

The no-Nickelback sentiment reached a fever pitch after two prominent local newspaper columnists penned an article pleading with NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman to consider other alternatives.

CBC's George Stroumboulopoulos will host the festival, officials said.

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Nickel tweets

Nickelback-less fest draws relief on Twitter.

- **@Rebecca Hadfield:** No Nickelback is always better than Nickelback. Unless the alternative is Creed.
- **@Sandy:** not impressed! I know lots of ppl dont like @Nickelback but bachman turner really? It will be a Senior nite out! I'll Pass...
- **@stateofthecity:** I'm not thrilled at their choice, but literally anything is better than Nickelback. So, good save.
- **@Adele:** Love it! I'm sure better artists can be found.

Pair drops briefs for homeless

BARRY WYLANT/SUPPLIED

After this year's underwear drive wraps, GotGinch will have donated 90,000 pairs of undies since 2009

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When packing for a road trip, you're not likely to bring along 35,000 pairs of underwear.

But that's exactly what Robb Price and Brent King have done as they travel across Canada delivering men's underwear to homeless shelters.

Known as GotGinch, the annual cross-Canada underwear drive will make a stop in Winnipeg Friday, dropping off 3,500 pairs of "ginch" to Siloam Mission.

King came up with the concept in 2009 after asking The Mustard Seed, a homeless shelter in Calgary, what item they needed most. Their response: men's underwear.

"Somebody with $10 to their name, they're probably not going to spend that money on underwear. They're probably going to spend it on a meal," said Price.

At each shelter they've visited, Price said the two have received a warm welcome.

"It's really neat to see … the people that are actually receiving the underwear and to see that you're doing a little piece to restore dignity to those people who have sometimes lost dignity being on the streets," he said.

"There's ginch, gotch, gonch. And some just call it tighty whities.... It changes everywhere you go."
ROBB PRICE, ON THE DIFFERENT NAMES FOR UNDERWEAR IN CANADA

▶ Robb Price, left, and Brent King hit up Winnipeg Friday to deliver undies for the homeless.

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Manitoba forests a 'global treasure'

Scientists urge protection of province's boreal forest Letter comes as hydro line looms as major election issue NDP Premier Greg Selinger welcomes input

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF CANADA

▶ Scientists are calling for Manitoba's government to protect boreal forest and the wildlife that lives there.

More than 75 scientists from around the world have waded into a contentious Manitoba election issue and are urging the province to protect one of the Earth's largest intact boreal forests.

A letter signed by academics from North America and Australia says the greenbelt that straddles the Manitoba-Ontario boundary is one of the biggest remaining pristine woodland ecosystems left on the globe.

They say it should be kept intact and be designated a UNESCO world heritage site.

A debate over where to build a new hydro transmission line has been one of the most divisive issues in the campaign for Tuesday's election.

The NDP government has plans to build the line down the west side of Lake Winnipeg rather than disturb the forest on the east side.

But the Conservatives argue the east-side route is shorter, cheaper and would not derail attempts to turn the forest into a UNESCO site.

There is a lot at stake, Larry Innes of the Canadian Boreal Initiative said. Not only would building a hydro transmission line undermine the UNESCO bid, it would put the animals that call the forest home at risk, he said.

Woodland caribou are a threatened species that needs the space and protection that the forest provides, he said. A large transmission line carved through the forest would give predatory wolves an edge by removing the caribou's cover.

Conservative Leader Hugh McFadyen downplayed concerns outlined in the letter. McFadyen, former chairman of the UNESCO World Heritage Committee, has said a hydro line would not derail a bid to designate the area.

"It's definitely a global treasure and definitely worth protecting."
LARRY INNES, CANADIAN BOREAL INITIATIVE

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Soaking up culture

Nearly 230 activities — from caribou hair tufting in Flin Flon to a pre-winter warming hut display at Winnipeg's The Forks — are planned for the second annual Manitoba Culture Days this weekend.

The event is billed as a collaborative, Canada-wide volunteer movement to raise the awareness, accessibility and participation of all Canadians in the arts and cultural life of their communities.

There's an emphasis on interactivity and getting people to take a behind-the-scenes look at the sometimes hidden worlds of artists.

As an added feature, the events are free. Festivities begin tomorrow and continue through Sunday.

For a full listing of activities, times and locations, visit mb.culturedays.ca.

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Culture Days

Some events taking place on Friday in the city:

- A six-artist collaborative graffiti-art show at the Plaza, at the Forks skatepark.
- Storytelling and hip-hop dancing in Winnipeg's Central Park (10 a.m. to 2 p.m.)
- Open rehearsal of the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra at the Centennial Concert Hall (11 a.m. to 12 p.m.)

JAMES TURNER/METRO

▶ Gianni Nevieri, front, Ryan McCrady, left, and Denys Veremchuk were part of cadet classes 1 and 2.

Cadet program grows into 2nd year

Cadets direct traffic, guard crime scenes, conduct searches and walk the beat as eyes and ears for officers

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When a series of arsons struck Fort Rouge this summer, and a handful of violent incidents rocked Osborne Village, it wasn't just police officers people called for.

They also called to see Winnipeg's other men and women in blue — the Winnipeg Police Service Auxillary Cadets.

Billed by police Chief Keith McCaskill as a way of boosting efficiency for a police service taxed by high call-for-service volumes, it's been about a year since the first class of cadets entered training prior to taking to the streets for the first time.

Since Jan. 1, the cadets — who are peace officers but don't enforce the Criminal Code — have answered more than 5,300 such calls, roughly 20 each day.

That has freed up roughly 30 hours a day of officer time that can be spent arresting suspects or investigating criminal activity, said Sgt. Michelle Wagner, a supervising sergeant of the WPS cadet unit.

But the program is more than a low-cost way of hiving off menial policing tasks. It's been key in identifying candidates to become badge, gun and Taser-wearing officers.

People like Darrel Manoosingh — likely soon to be known as Const. Manoosingh in a few weeks, when he hopes to graduate from the police academy.

After a 20-year-career working as a well-paid microbiologist in the drug research and manufacturing field, Manoosingh says his life-long goal had been to be a police officer, but he went along another path after university.

Being able to get a feel for a law-enforcement career by becoming a cadet prior to applying for a constable position at age 43 was a "huge stepping-stone" for him, he says.

The WPS allowed him a lot of leeway when it came to transitioning from his past endeavours, he said.

"They actually enable you and provide you with all the support that you would need to do this program part-time," he said.

His cadet training was "very related" to what he's learning now at the police academy, he said. "We felt very well-prepared for coming onto the streets."

The service is taking applications for its fourth cadet class. People have until Oct. 14 to apply.

An information session is being held Oct. 3 at 6:30 p.m. at the WPS training academy, 130 Allard Road.

Cadet to Constable

Auxiliary Cadet Class 1 started training September, 2010.

- 30 Candidates attended.
- 2 of the cadets applied for and successfully completed recruit class (RC) # 151 to become police constables.

Auxiliary Cadet Class 2 started training in January

- 11 Candidates attended.
- 1 of the cadets applied for and successfully completed RC # 152.

Auxiliary Cadet Class 3 started training in May.

- 15 candidates attended.
- 1 cadet is currently in the background investigation stage for RC # 153 (tentatively scheduled to start 2012-02-08).

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NY woman claims man paid her to kill him

Police won't say what led them to suspect in murder of 74-year-old

A woman was accused of running over a bound man who she said promised her $180,000 if she ended his life, but police said they have no evidence he wanted to die.

Francis Nelson, 74, was found dead, his hands and feet still tied, near his abandoned car on a rural road in upstate New York on Tuesday morning.

Jennifer Riesel, a 28-year-old woman who met Nelson through a social club in their hometown of Little Falls, was charged with his murder yesterday.

Trooper Jack Keller said Riesel told investigators that Nelson had asked her to kill him, saying she'd get $180,000 after his death.

"We're still not sure how that arrangement was going to be made," Keller said. "But that was ultimate deal."

Investigators believe Nelson was killed sometime early Tuesday. Relatives said he was last seen at 7 p.m. Monday. Keller said Riesel ran him over with a car borrowed from a friend.

A farmer checking a car parked on a seasonal road found Nelson's body near his car, which was turned off with the keys in the ignition.

Riesel was jailed Thursday without bail on a second-degree murder charge. Officials didn't know if she had a lawyer.

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Murder mystery

- Trooper Jack Keller said there was no evidence Nelson suffered from a serious or terminal illness and nothing indicating he was despondent. He said no money ever changed hands, Nelson's bank accounts were in order and there was no sign of thievery.
- Nelson lived alone and was retired after working at the wastewater treatment plant in Little Falls, a small city west of Albany. He was president of the local German Maennerchor social club, where he met the unemployed Riesel, Keller said.

Mexico. National Corn Day

▶ Mexican artist Brama Santos performs covered in corn at an event marking National Corn Day in Mexico City on Thursday.

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Mexican enviro groups call for greener grains

Environmental organizations commemorated National Corn Day on Thursday to show their opposition to transgenic corn and demand the government annul two permissions given in 2009 that allow for the experimental planting of transgenic corn in Mexico.

Parents arrested after toddler swallows cocaine

The California parents of a toddler have been arrested after the boy swallowed cocaine.

The San Luis Obispo County Tribune reports the 18-month old showed signs of being under the influence of cocaine when Atascadero police officers arrived Wednesday at the couple's apartment.

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Thief gets jail instead of transplant

A New Yorker who lost her chance for a life-saving heart transplant by continuing to commit crimes has been sentenced to more than two years in jail.

A judge had freed Diane McCloud in January so she could try to get on the transplant waiting list.

Long Island prosecutors say McCloud stole from three drugstores after that. She pleaded guilty to petty larceny charges last month. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Brazilian convicted in teen's train jump death

A Brazilian court has convicted a man of forcing a teenager to make a fatal jump from a moving train.

Vinicius Parizatto was sentenced yesterday to 31 years and nine months in prison for the death of a teen and the attempted murder of another. The youth who survived lost an arm.

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Tweets offer glimpse into mood patterns

Twitter confirms it: People tend to wake up in a good mood and are happiest on weekends.

The fast-paced forum is offering scientists a peek at real-time, presumably little-filtered human behaviour and thoughts. Cornell University researchers turned to the microblog to study mood and found a pretty consistent pattern.

The researchers analyzed English-language tweets from 2.4 million people in 84 countries, more than 500 million of the brief, conversation-like exchanges sent over two years. They used a computer program that searched for words indicating positive mood — happy, enthusiastic, brilliant — or negative mood — sad, anxious, fear.

What they found: Unless you're a night owl, a positive attitude peaks early in the morning and again near midnight, but starts to dip midmorning before rising again in the evening.

Aha, you might think, going to work and related hassles like traffic explain that pattern. After all, there was more positive tweeting on the weekend.

Twitter tales

- The researchers also examined tweets in the United Arab Emirates, where Friday and Saturday are considered the weekend. Sure enough, they found the same daily pattern, even though the workday tends to begin earlier there than in the West, and the same weekend pattern.
- There are cautions about studying Twitter postings: Their authors tend to be younger, and may be more affluent and better educated than average.

Work-related stress may play some role but it can't explain why that same midday dip occurs on the weekend, too, said lead researcher Scott Golder, a Cornell graduate student.

Instead, the pattern probably is due to the effects of sleep and our 24-hour biological clock, the so-called circadian rhythms that signal when it's time to sleep and to wake, Golder and Cornell sociologist Michael Macy reported. Their study appears in Friday's edition of the journal Science.

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MMA. Lobby

▶ Minister of Canadian Heritage James Moore, second from left, and Liberal MP Justin Trudeau, right, with UFC fighters Yves Jabouin, left, and Mark Hominick.

Ready for a fight

MPs met with Ultimate Fighting Championship fighters Thursday on Parliament Hill as part of a day of lobbying in support of mixed martial arts.

PM defends MacKay's Challenger flights

Harper says defence minister's use of jets justified because intent was to meet with families of fallen soldiers ◐ Liberals consider launching complaint after ethics commissioner says rules may have been broken

Prime Minister Stephen Harper has stood up for his embattled defence minister.

Peter MacKay was under fire once again yesterday in the House of Commons over his use of Challenger VIP jets, racking up as much as $3 million in flights since he was appointed in 2007.

He's been criticized over the last couple of weeks for his use of a search-and-rescue helicopter to pick him up at a Newfoundland fishing lodge following a vacation.

New Democrats say the high-flying minister should have his wings clipped.

Harper, who had been silent about the controversy, said MacKay has used the jet 70 per cent less than his Liberal predecessors and "half the time he does that for repatriation ceremonies" in Trenton for fallen soldiers.

"When will the prime minister tell his cabinet that ethics rules apply to them too? When will he crack down on this out-of-control, jet-setting Conservative lifestyle?"

JACK HARRIS, NDP DEFENCE CRITIC

"He goes there to show that we understand their sacrifice, we share their pain and we care about them and that's why the minister of Defence is so highly regarded," Harper told the House of Commons during question period.

Meanwhile, the ethics commissioner told a parliamentary committee yesterday that MacKay could be in contravention of MPs' conflict-of-interest code because of where he spent his vacation.

The Newfoundland trip was partly spent at a fishing camp owned by the chairman of a Crown corporation.

Under questioning from the Liberals, Mary Dawson told an all-party committee some rules may have been broken.

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▶ Defence Minister Peter MacKay leaves the House of Commons after speaking with the media on Parliament Hill yesterday.

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Shania fan to plead guilty

- Country music star testifies she had to hire security
- Accused disrupts court proceedings to announce plea

The trial of a man accused of stalking Canadian country star Shania Twain got off to a dramatic start Thursday when the accused interrupted testimony and declared in an outburst that he would plead guilty.

Giovanni (John) Palumbo is charged with three counts of failure to comply with a court order and criminal harassment by watching and besetting.

Appearing via video link in a Toronto courtroom, Twain testified that the former Ottawa doctor's lovelorn letters and unexpected visits at her cottage made her uncomfortable.

"They were uncomfortable letters, they were very personal," Twain told court. "They were more like love letters, not so much fan mail."

WADE PAYNE/AP PHOTO

▶ Shania Twain

Twain testified that she had to hire 24-hour security for a family gathering at her cottage in 2009 because Palumbo was seen repeatedly parked in his Lamborghini down the road.

And she also alleged that Palumbo visited her brother-in-law's auto shop with a supposed car issue because he wanted to be closer to her.

After roughly 90 minutes of Twain's testimony, Palumbo — clad in a rumpled black suit and wireframe glasses — abruptly stood and announced that he'd had enough.

"Eilleen, you can trust me, I'm going to plead guilty," he said, using Twain's real first name. "I've been offended too much, your honour."

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Homeless men need briefs, too

Robb Price and Brent King of Calgary are travelling across Canada handing out 35,000 pairs of new underwear to homeless shelters. They created the GotGinch program after they learned that homeless shelters put new skivvies at or near the top of their wish lists to help clients.

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Loose hogs shut down highway

A semi tractor trailer carrying pigs rolled over about 200 kilometres east of Saskatoon Thursday. The driver of the semi was uninjured and it was not immediately known if any pigs died. Mounties closed Highway 310 while the 109 pigs were rounded up and the semi removed.

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Olympic red mittens are back

The third edition of the red mittens that were so popular at the 2010 Winter Games were unveiled Thursday. The handwarmers have been a lucrative fundraiser for the Canadian Olympic Committee, pulling in almost $19 million for the COC's athlete-support programs.

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All. Smiles

▶ Prince William and his wife Catherine with patient Ellis Andrews.

KIRSTY WIGGLESWORTH/GETTY IMAGES

Hospital welcomes royal visitors

Prince William, Duke of Cambridge, meets patient Ellis Andrews during a visit with Catherine, Duchess of Cambridge, to open the new Oak Centre for Children and Young People at The Royal Marsden Hospital yesterday in London, England.

Mandela girls set for reality TV show debut

South African and American producers say three of Nelson Mandela's granddaughters will star in a reality TV show.

In a statement, South Africa's New Vision Pictures and Out of Africa Entertainment and U.S. producer Rick Leed say the show is set to debut early next year.

They say it will "highlight the next generation of this unique South African family," and give a glimpse into their daily lives and conflicts.

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Nelson Mandela has 17 grandchildren, three of whom will star in a reality TV show set to debut early next year.

The producers said Thursday the granddaughters would not speak to The Associated Press. Attempts to reach the three young women were not immediately successful.

Mandela became South Africa's first black president after 27 years in prison for his fight against apartheid. He has 17 grandchildren, including a grandson who is a member of parliament.

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Typhoon Nesat arrives in China

Storm brings rain and fierce winds after devastating the Philippines
Three injured by falling debris

A powerful typhoon slammed into southern China Thursday after skirting Hong Kong and bringing death and widespread flooding to the Philippines earlier this week.

Typhoon Nesat made landfall on the eastern tip of China's Hainan island at 2:30 p.m., local time, and was packing winds as high as 150 kilometres an hour, the official Xinhua News Agency said.

The storm blew down trees and flooded streets as it moved across Hainan, photos on state media showed. A large tree toppled onto a parked car in the provincial capital, Haikou.

The storm swept past Hong Kong earlier in the day, forcing the stock market to suspend trading and shops and businesses to close but causing little damage. The Asian financial centre's normally bustling streets were eerily quiet, with few people venturing outside.

Local broadcaster Cable TV showed footage of tour groups from mainland China, some heading to Macau, who were temporarily stranded after cross-border ferry services were suspended.

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Cities shut down

- Flood control officials said nearly 58,000 people were evacuated from low-lying areas in eastern Wenchang city and 67 flights were cancelled at the island's two airports, Xinhua said.
- Hainan authorities closed schools, suspended ferry services and recalled fishing boats as the storm made its way across the South China Sea from the Philippines, where it killed 35 people and left another 45 missing.

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▶ People brave strong winds and rain on a street as a typhoon hit Haikou in south China's Hainan province on Thursday.

News in brief

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China achieves space landmark

FINAL FRONTIER. China launched an experimental module to lay the groundwork for a future space station on Thursday, underscoring its ambitions to become a major space power over the coming decade.

The box car-sized Tiangong-1 module was shot into space from the Jiuquan launch centre on the edge of the Gobi Desert aboard a Long March 2FT1 rocket.

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Climate change to cost billions: Study

ENVIRONMENTAL FORECAST. Climate change will cost Canada and its people about $5 billion a year by 2020, a groundbreaking analysis for the federal government warns.

Costs will continue to climb steeply, to between $21 billion and $43 billion a year by the 2050s, the analysis says.

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Chile to pay quake victim's family

RESTITUTION. A judge says Chile must pay about $20,000 to the family of a taxi driver killed in last year's earthquake after the government mistakenly said there would be no tsunami. Luis Soto Repiso was among those who ventured outside with a false sense of security. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Rescuing species from the brink

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▶ Among the animals and plants on the Obama administration's radar are, from left, the Casey's June beetle, the Pagosa skyrocket plant and the Texas kangaroo rat.

The Obama administration is taking steps to extend new federal protections to a list of imperiled animals and plants that reads like a manifest for Noah's Ark — from the melodic golden-winged warbler and slow-moving gopher tortoise, to the slimy American eel and tiny Texas kangaroo rat.

Compelled by a pair of recent legal settlements, the effort in part targets species that have been mired in bureaucratic limbo even as they inch toward potential extinction.

With a Friday deadline to act on more than 700 pending cases, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service already has issued decisions advancing more than 500 species toward potential new protections under the Endangered Species Act.

Observers said the agency's actions mark a breakthrough for a program long criticized by conservatives and liberals alike as cumbersome and slow.

"Here at a single glance, you see the sweep of the Endangered Species Act," said Patrick Parenteau, an environmental law professor at the University of Vermont. "They are moving through this large backlog at a fairly crisp clip now. This is the largest number of listing actions we've seen in a very long time, in decades."

Also among species that advanced for further consideration are 35 snails from Nevada's Great Basin, 82 crawfish from the Southeast, 99 Hawaiian plants and a motley cast of butterflies, birds, fish, beetles, frogs, lizards, mussels and more from every corner of the country.

Some have languished for decades on a "candidate list" of species the government says warrant protection but that it lacks the resources to help.

The flurry of recent action could help revive Obama's standing among wildlife advocates upset over the administration's support for taking grey wolves off the endangered list in the Northern Rockies and Upper Great Lakes, among other issues.

But it also comes amid a backlash in Congress against the 37-year-old endangered-species program.

12 Most of the decisions made under the current settlements are preliminary. So far only 12 new animals and plants have reached the final step and been added to the almost 1,400 species on the government's threatened and endangered list.

Earlier this year, citing restrictions against development and other activities, Republicans unsuccessfully sought to strip the federal budget of money to list new species as threatened or endangered.

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▶ A U.S. Border Patrol agent drives along the U.S.-Mexico border fence in Tijuana. The United States is looking at building similar fences along the border with Canada to help keep out terrorists and other criminals.

U.S. border proposal hits Canada's nerve

Nearly 3,800 Customs and Border Protection officers scrutinize people and goods at crossings But U.S. still plans to ramp up security on vast border

The Opposition is blasting a "stupid" U.S. government proposal to build fences along the border with Canada to help keep out terrorists and other criminals.

"The American people don't see us as a threat," said Joe Comartin, the New Democrat justice critic. "When you get their security agencies just going off on this kind of a tangent ... well, quite frankly, it just makes me angry."

The U.S. Customs and Border Protection agency has proposed the use of "fencing and other barriers" on the 49th parallel to manage "trouble spots where passage of cross-border violators is difficult to control."

The border service is also pondering options including a beefed-up technological presence through increased use of radar, sensors, cameras, drones and vehicle scanners.

In addition, it might continue to improve or expand customs facilities at ports of entry.

The proposals are spelled out in a new draft report by the border service that examines the possible environmental impact of the various options over the next five to seven years.

Security increase

Over the last two years, the U.S. has added inspectors and Border Patrol agents along the U.S.- Canadian border and modernized land crossings.

- **The number of Border** Patrol agents has increased 700 per cent since Sept. 11, 2001.
- **Unmanned U.S. aircraft** patrol about 1,500 kilometres along the northern border and 300 kilometres of the Canadian border.

In a statement, the Canada Border Services Agency said: "The policy options in the draft report have not been part of the discussions between the CBSA and U.S. CBP on ways to improve border management.

Canada's ambassador to the United States played down the possibility of fences.

"Doing an environmental study of an option is not the same as a costed, funded construction project that would happen on the U.S. side," Gary Doer told reporters in Regina. THE CANADIAN PRESS

U.S. appeals court tosses 'don't ask, don't tell' lawsuit

A U.S. federal appeals court refused yesterday to decide the constitutionality of the military's now-repealed "don't ask, don't tell" policy banning openly gay troops, saying the issue has been resolved since Americans can enlist and serve in the armed forces without regard to sexual orientation.

A three-judge panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco tossed out a lawsuit that had challenged the military policy as a violation of gay service members' civil rights.

In doing so, the appeals court also dismissed a Southern California trial judge's year-old ruling that the policy was unconstitutional.

The gay-rights group Log Cabin Republicans filed the lawsuit in 2004 challenging the policy.

The group's lawyer, Dan Woods, said he would ask the full 9th Circuit to review the panel's decision.

The group recently argued the lower court ruling, which also barred enforcement of "don't ask, don't tell" should remain in effect despite this month's repeal because future administrations and lawmakers could reintroduce a ban on gay service.

The three judges strongly disagreed in their opinion yesterday, saying the case is moot because there is nothing left to challenge regarding the policy enacted as section 654.

"This suit became moot when the repeal of section 654 took effect on Sept. 20," the ruling said. "If Log Cabin filed suit today seeking a declaration that section 654 is unconstitutional or an injunction against its application (or both), there would be no Article III controversy because there is no section 654."

The panel specifically rejected Log Cabins' assertion that the appeals court should decide the underlying constitutional issues to prevent future limitations or outright bans on military service by gay and lesbian Americans. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BREAK-IN

Suspected intruders may have faked way in

Investigators say the suspects in a home invasion in Calgary's northwest may have posed as police officers.

Police say a man was assaulted around midnight Wednesday when two men forced their way into a house.

A woman and young child who were also inside were not harmed.

Police say one of the two suspects was carrying a handgun in a shoulder holster.

No arrests have been made. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Bottled messages bring world home

Casting out messages in bottles is not a social experiment for Harold Hackett It's a dear hobby

Underneath his bed, stored in shoeboxes or tucked away into drawers in his Tignish, P.E.I., apartment are Harold Hackett's portals to other lands.

There are bags of homemade Newfoundland candy, seashore glass from the Bahamas, and an estimated 14,000 photos of children, boats, pets, and homes.

But most importantly, there are the letters.

"I've got something like 3,300 back so far," Hackett says proudly. "From all over the world."

Around P.E.I. and increasingly around the globe, Hackett has become known as "Message in a Bottle Man" — the one who has set 5,000 bottled messages adrift into the Atlantic, one by one, just to see where they'll go.

"I put this bottle in the ocean from North Cape, P.E.I. When you find my message, please write back to me so I know where my bottle went. Please be sure to include the date on the bottle message in your letter and the date you found it. This is very important to me." A FORM LETTER BY HAROLD HACKETT

To maintain that kind of volume, he's abandoned handwritten notes. He sends out form letters photocopied in one of six colours, leaving a blank space to print the date he sent it, and another for the recipient to record the date it was found.

The 59-year-old bachelor doesn't own a computer and spends much of his time at home on disability, due to a curvature in his spine. But through notes and packages sent from Africa, Ireland, South America, Russia, Germany, and more, Hackett has brought the world to him.

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Pop stars woo fans via Facebook games

- Social media is the new way to interact and connect with fans: Iglesias
- Cityville most popular application on Facebook with 71-million users

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▶ This screen shot provided by Zynga shows the Facebook game CityVille. Starting next Tuesday, CityVille players on Facebook will be able to interact with Enrique Iglesias's character when he visits their cities.

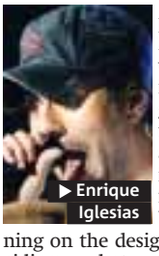
Pop stars are lining up to make their debut in Facebook games from online game maker Zynga.

First came Dr. Dre and Lady Gaga. Next week, an avatar of singer Enrique Iglesias will join CityVille, Zynga's most popular title.

Starting Tuesday, CityVille players on Facebook will be able to interact with Iglesias's character when he visits their cities. They'll get to collect items the singer is known for and watch previews of his latest music video.

Zynga declined to give financial terms of the deal or say whether it plans more celebrity integrations, citing the fact that it is in a typical "quiet period" before its planned initial public offering. The San Francisco-based company filed registration papers in July for an IPO, and it's expected to make its public debut this fall.

Iglesias said his team approached Zynga with the idea for a game integration and was involved from the beginning on the design and deciding what characters could do. They can collect virtual hats, boots, bling and a speed boat — representing the time Iglesias lived in Miami and owned one. "I thought the fans would get a kick out of it," he said.



▶ Enrique Iglesias

CityVille, which is available on Facebook and the fledgling Google Plus, lets players build up and run virtual cities complete with farms, buildings and other infrastructure found in a real city. The game is free to play; Zynga makes money by charging for virtual items players use to decorate their cities and to get ahead in the game. The Iglesias tie-in will be available only on the Facebook version of the game.

"It's the first time Zynga has had such an entertainer being an integral part of the game," said Scott Koenigsberg, director of business strategy for CityVille at Zynga.

Iglesias said he has played CityVille — once. He has an addictive personality and, since being inseparable from Nintendo's Mario Bros. as a child, has stayed away from video games, he said. "I know that if I start playing it, I won't get any work done and I'd just be on it all the time," he said.

In addition to the Iglesias avatar, the game will feature a new single featuring rapper Pitbull, I Like How It Feels. Players will also be able to unlock a building called Euphoria Arena — referring to Iglesias' current tour and album.

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Warner Bros. on Facebook

- Warner Bros. is launching a Web series on Facebook personalized for viewers.
- The show, Aim High, is an action comedy series about a student who doubles as a government operative by night.
- The studio is calling it the first "social series" from a Hollywood studio on the site.
- Viewers will be able to integrate their Facebook profile into background elements of the series.
- Users could see their name appear as graffiti in one scene, or their face on a poster in another.
- Aim High will debut on Oct. 18 on Facebook and on Cambio.com. It stars Jackson Rathbone, Aimee Teegarden and Greg Germann.

Supreme Court to hear 'value for signal' case

The Supreme Court of Canada says it will step into the battle over whether broadcasters can charge cable and satellite providers for carrying their programs.

The high court has granted leave to appeal in a case that involves whether the Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission has the right to establish a system that would allow broadcasters to charge for their signals.

The CRTC itself referred the matter to the Federal Court when it announced its plans for a so-called "value for signal" regime.

The Federal Court of Appeal previously ruled in a split 2-1 decision that CRTC had the power to set up such a system.

The cable and satellite industries are appealing the decision, arguing that the value-for-signal issue falls under the Copyright Act and the royalties system and is beyond the CRTC jurisdiction.

"Conventional television stations must have a regulatory framework that allows them to survive on their own merits, regardless of whether or not they are integrated with cable and satellite companies," said Kevin Crull, president of Bell Media.

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EMPLOYMENT

Canadians wary of job market

The Conference Board of Canada says its index of consumer confidence increased only slightly in September as Canadians began to worry more about job growth.

The think-tank said Thursday its consumer confidence index rose 0.3 of a point in September to 75, narrowly avoiding a fifth consecutive monthly decline.

Economists have warned in recent weeks that the global economic outlook is not good and that government debt problems in Europe and the U.S. could trigger another recession, undercutting employment.

The survey found that attitudes towards the job market have deteriorated. Only 14.8 per cent of respondents said they expect there will be more jobs in the next six months, a drop of 1.4 per centage points from August. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Auto parts supplier to plead guilty

A Tokyo-headquartered auto parts supplier has agreed to plead guilty and pay a $200 million fine in what the U.S. Justice Department said Thursday is an investigation of an international price-fixing and bid-rigging cartel.

Because Furukawa Electric Co. Ltd. conspired with competitors, "automobile manufacturers paid noncompetitive and higher prices for parts in cars sold to U.S. consumers," said Sharis Pozen, from the Justice Department's antitrust division. Asked if prices were fixed and bids rigged for other auto parts, Pozen would only say the investigation is "broad."

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Market moment

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Privacy on Facebook challenged, again

Nine privacy groups have sent a joint letter to the Federal Trade Commission saying it should investigate the ways Facebook collects data about users' online activity after recent changes to its site.

The Electronic Privacy Information Center, the American Civil Liberties Union and other groups sent the letter to the FTC Wednesday.

The groups say changes Facebook made last week give it far greater ability to disclose users' personal information to businesses than it used to have.

Facebook users can now consent just once and have applications continuously share on Facebook the music they are listening to or the articles they are reading.

Facebook says that change gives users control over what apps they use and what information is shared.

The letter does not constitute a formal complaint.

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INTERNET UPGRADE

MTS ramps up wireless network

MTS plans to build a high-speed wireless data network in Manitoba with the goal of making the service available starting next year.

The Long-Term Evolution, or LTE, network will support average user speeds that are up to five times faster than the telecom company's current wireless network.

The Manitoba telecom operator said Thursday that planning and infrastructure development is already underway and it expects to turn on the first phase of the new network next year.

The wireless industry is moving to LTE technology, which is ideal for streaming video, watching TV and listening to music. Both Rogers and Bell Mobility have recently started rolling out their LTE networks. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Google sets sights on Asia

Google Inc. plans to invest at least $200 million to build its first three data centres in Asia as it expands its infrastructure to keep pace with the region's burgeoning Internet use.

The Internet search giant has bought land in Hong Kong, Taiwan and Singapore for the data centres, which typically are secure facilities packed with thousands of computers that store and serve vast amounts of data. It aims to finish construction in one to two years, but didn't give specific start dates. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tablet not dying: RIM

Research In Motion said yesterday its PlayBook will stay on the market and dismissed speculation that the computer tablet will be discontinued.

RIM's shares closed down about three per cent to $21.97 on the Toronto Stock Exchange after a report that it could shut down PlayBook production. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Nokia cuts back by trimming workforce

Cellphone company lays off 3,500 workers • Faces stiff competition in the global market • Measures 'painful yet necessary', says CEO

Nokia Corp. on Thursday announced a further 3,500 job cuts by 2012 as it strives to save costs while its global market share continues to fall in competition against rivals.

The Finnish cellphone maker said it will close a manufacturing plant in Cluj, Romania, by the end of 2011, which will mean 2,200 job cuts when supply chain operations are adjusted too. Other changes will mean the loss of 1,300 job cuts, it said.

The planned layoffs are in addition to 7,000 worldwide job cuts, which Nokia announced in April, through layoffs and outsourcing.

Nokia stock was virtually unchanged at €4.15 in early trading in Helsinki.

The announcement came as the world's top cellphone maker seeks to cut operating expenses by €1 billion by 2013 amid fierce competition in the top end smartphone market from Apple Inc., Research in Motion and Google Inc., as well as from numerous Asian handset makers that produce cheaper phones in emerging markets.

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▶ John Guerry, general manager of a Nokia factory in Romania, casts a shadow on banner showing the company's logo during the official opening of the factory's first production line back in 2008.

Nokia said it was closing the Romanian plant because its "high-volume Asian factories provide greater scale and proximity benefits" even as CEO Stephen Elop said that Europe would remain "core to Nokia's future."

The Espoo-based company, near Helsinki, employs 132,500 people — 7 per cent more than a year ago. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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IT'S SHIRTLESS NIGHT IN CANADA

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1 Shirtless Ron MacLean?: Circulating this week is one of the more random photos ever: A shirtless Hockey Night in Canada host Ron MacLean is seen in a bar, wearing white pants and air-guitaring while holding a beer. Now people are split as to whether this photo was Photoshopped or not. Let's see Don Cherry's shirtless beer-air-guitar moves!

2 Rathika Sitsabaiesan cleavage: Still with Photoshop, Ontario NDP MP Rathika Sitsabaiesan attracted international attention this week when it was revealed on the website Contrarian.ca that her (by no means risqué amount of) cleavage was Photoshopped out of an image that appears on her page on the Parliament of Canada website. Wow, talk about political correctness.

3 BC Place reno: The $563-million reno'ed retractable BC Place stadium in Vancouver is by all accounts stupendous, right down to the transparent facade that runs the circumference of the stadium and allows spectators to take in mountain vistas. It opens Friday when the B.C. Lions take on the Edmonton Eskimos.

4 The Leap: Calgary's Chris Turner, author of the 2007 national bestseller The Geography of Hope, has a new book out this week. It's called The Leap: How to Survive and Thrive in the Sustainable Economy. It covers German green energy, Danish urban design genius, Toledo solar panels and so much more.

5 The Onion in T.O.: The brilliant news parody empire that reports wryly hilarious fake news now has a local edition in Toronto, where it's available free in newspaper boxes starting this week. Nothing in this item was made up.

6 YouTube TV shows: YouTube really is vying to be your new TV set. Word is the video giant is finalizing contracts with a bunch of "channels" to feature regularly scheduled programs on themes like sports, entertainment and fashion by 2012. My grandchildren someday will be like, "What's that flatscreen in your man-cave for, grandpa?"

7 Queen: Queen's Roger Taylor is creating a live touring show to begin next year that will pay tribute to the band. He's launched a talent search to find people to star in the show. One of the audition tapes makes it seem as if Freddie Mercury has risen from the grave.

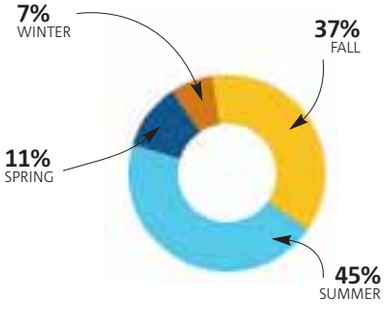
8 Emotional bag check: If you're looking for somewhere to unload your emotions, a new site called EmotionalBagCheck.com might come to your emotional rescue. You can vent there, and some kind stranger will suggest a pick-me-up song in reply so as to get you going again. And everything will be all right. Well, for five minutes at least — the time it takes to play, say, Coldplay's Fix You (it's the No. 3 recommended song).

9 Message in a Bottle: Since 1996, P.E.I.'s Harold Hackett has sent out more than 4,800 messages in a bottle. Dude's hobby has an amazing batting average, as he's received more than 3,100 responses from all over the world. So if your Internet's ever down and you're jonesing for social media, just go old school and use this method of reaching out.

Follow Neil Morton on Twitter (@neilmorton).

Register at metropolitanpanel.ca and take the quick poll

It's a showdown of the seasons, which is your favourite?



Local tweets

- **@riseandsprawl:** Just finished re-watching The Wire s.3. For all his corruption, at least Mayor Royce cared about the murder rate. #winnipeg
- **@TSNDaveNaylor:** Michael Bishop arrives in Winnipeg today. The man who makes a living as a QB insurance policy.
- **@Tim_co_op:** I heard a rumor the Jets are in danger of leaving Winnipeg.
- **@MoscalElectric:** Need a party for normal, hard-working folk. Not those who just show up for work or use the system or the uber-rich. #mbvotes
- **@aclaytonwpgsun:** Stupid Thursday, sandwiched between two #Jets home games. No one likes you, Thursday. #GoJetsGo #WinnipegJets
- **@itsryaneyes:** Famous Dave's just announced they're coming to Canada with the first restaurant in #Winnipeg . They open next year.
- **@chrisdca:** Listening to @bkives express his distaste for Nickelback on @Power97 . #Winnipeg
- **@QueenofGhetto:** Just voted cause I'm cool like dat #mbpoli #winnipeg

Letters

I'm sorry to say that while reading your Sept. 29 issue, I was shocked to find an example of cultural insensitivity.

I'm not referring to any of the articles, but rather to your Metropolitan Panel feature. In the poll shown, you asked your readers, and I quote, "Should obese women be denied fertility treatment?" Are you not aware how blatantly offensive that question is? If it isn't so obvious, consider a similar question: "Should gay women be denied fertility treatment?" Or what about "Should East-Asian women be denied fertility treatment?" On what basis do you justify such discrimination? What right have you to decide who gets fertility treatment and who does not? You have no such right. Any person's decision to seek fertility treatment should be left to them and them alone.

Any potential health problems that may arise during pregnancy as a result of conditions associated with obesity are also none of your business. The only people who ought to be involved are the person and their supervising physician.

JEFFREY KOMAR
HALIFAX

Swinging. It

▶ A traveller youth plays on a rope at Dale Farm travellers camp Thursday near Basildon, England.

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Photo of the day

Traveller residents — traditional nomadic people — on the illegal Dale Farm settlement are at The High Court in London to hear if a judicial review of their eviction can take place.

WEIRD NEWS

Ol' Two-Face

Frank and Louie the cat was born with two faces, two mouths, two noses, three eyes — and lots of doubts about his future.

Now, 12 years after Marty Stevens rescued him from being put to sleep because of his condition, the exotic blue-eyed rag doll cat is not only thriving but has made it into the 2012 Guinness Book of World Records as the longest-surviving member of a group known as Janus cats, named for a Roman god with two faces.

He is "very, very laid back, not afraid of people, very friendly and he's actually more of a dog than a cat," Stevens said, adding, "It's funny because people walk up to him thinking it's a nice, fluffy white cat and they're walking up with a big smile on their face to pat him, like, 'Oh, what a beautiful cat' and I see a look of horror come over their faces when they actually see his face." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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▶ "Hi, Frank." "Hi, Louie."

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Synopsis

- Anna Faris is Ally, a young Bostonian with a bad relationship track record. Weeks before her sister is to wed she reads an article that suggests the number of sex partners a woman has had will predict her romantic success later in life. More than 20, it says, and you have virtually no hope of settling down. She realizes she's in the danger zone. To not go over 20 she revisits all her ex-boyfriends in hopes of finding a husband.
- **Ratings:**
  Richard: ⊕⊕⊕
  Mark: ⊕⊕½

▶ Anna Faris, centre, is searching for lasting love in What's Your Number.

Reel Guys

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It's all in the numbers

Anna Faris shines as the lead in What's Your Number? despite a lacklustre raunch-com script ◐ Movie's attitudes about sex a little dated for 2011

Richard: Mark, I'm not going to suggest What's Your Number? is a great, or even good movie. It has a typical rom-com plot gussied up with some Judd Apatow style barbs and some gratuitous shots of its almost naked star but it also has Anna Faris, and for me that's enough. She has crack comic timing and an unpredictable way with a line that takes a Kathryn Heigl level script and turns it into something watchable. What did you think?

Mark: Without Anna Faris, this movie would have gone directly to the DVD bin. She's so good I was able to sit through the movie and actually laugh a few times. But I resent the movie for wanting it both ways: on the surface it seems like a raunch-com but underneath beats the heart of the typical story of a young woman who just wants to get married and settle down. And by the way, since when did bedding 20 guys in your entire life make anyone a slut? Maybe if they were all at once...

RC: Ha! Spoken like someone who has the updated edition of The Joy of Sex handy. It's a strange movie that uses both the standard old cellphone switcheroo plot device *and* rape jokes. It doesn't have the laughs of an Apatow movie or the heart... but once again, I'll say it, it has Anna Faris.

MB: It also has Chris Evans, in a stock role that only his agent could love. But I did feel there was some genuine chemistry between him and Ms. Faris, especially in the scenes where they get hot 'n' sweaty. Romantic comedies like this one usually have a number of well acted, well written secondary characters, but they were completely absent from this picture, unless you count Andy Samberg's great and ridiculous cameo.

RC: A love scene with a puppet and Andy Samberg is just one of the things — did I mention Anna Faris? — that make this movie almost special. There are just enough funny scenes (and shots of Evans's abs) to almost make this an in-the-pocket rom com, but then the good stuff is followed by long stretches of by-the-book writing. It's a shame to see this kind of potential wasted.

MB: I also resented the dated sexual politics of the movie. The male lead can sleep with as many partners as he likes and he's a rake. If a woman like Faris tries the same thing, she's a slut. This is old-school thinking, and shame on the movie for buying into it, and not challenging it.

2 scene

Scene in brief

David Beckham says his new baby girl is nothing like his three sons. The 36-year-old soccer star says three-month old Harper Seven is already sleeping through the night and is "a lot calmer" than his boys were at that age. Harper's three brothers are also on dad's side when it comes to her eventual dating life. Beckham says he plans to be "overprotective in every way possible."
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Bobby Brown plays himself in indie movie launched at Montreal Black film festival.

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Application Deadline: Friday, November 18, 2011

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- Seven Oaks House Museum Board
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Applications must be received in the City Clerk's Department no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, November 18, 2011 or postmarked no later than November 18, 2011.

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Richard Kachur, City Clerk

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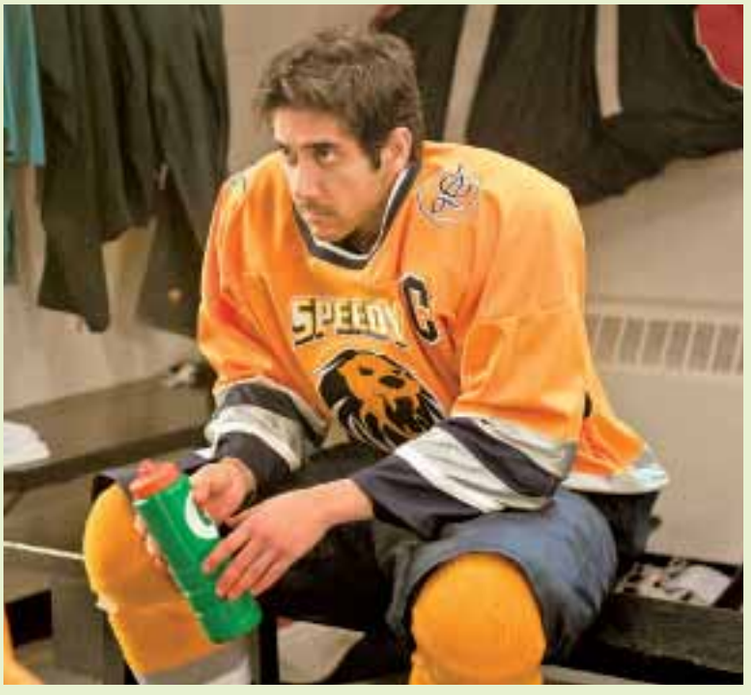

Breakaway
Genre: Comedy
Director: Rob Lieberman
Stars: Vinay Virmani, Rob Lowe
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A harmless story about a young Indo-Canadian striving against his immigrant family's ideals to become a pro hockey player, Breakaway is an impressive first feature for writer and star Vinay Virmani. Not only does he land a likeable international cast including Rob Lowe and funnyman Russell Peters, but he and director Rob Lieberman mostly keep it light-hearted with broad gags and even a Bollywood musical number to maintain a light and fun pace.
STEVE GOW

50/50
Genre: Comedy
Director: Jonathan Levine
Stars: Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Seth Rogen, Anna Kendrick
●●●½
Cancer is no laughing matter, everyone knows that. But 50/50, the story of Adam (Joseph Gordon-Levitt) a clean living guy diagnosed with a rare form of cancer, breaks taboos left and right. Luckily it's tempered with great performances, a smart script and real emotion.

There's not a false moment thanks to a script written by Will Reiser, the real-life inspiration for the story. Reiser — along with actors Gordon-Levitt, Anna Kendrick and Seth Rogen — find just the right balance between mortality, romance and cancer jokes in a script that will have you laughing and crying at the same time.
RICHARD CROUSE

HANDOUT

▶ Hugh Jackman says that he was a fearful child.

Hugh not always so steely

Hugh Jackman, star of Real Steel, says he was the dunce at drama school

RICHARD CROUSE
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Hugh Jackman must be the envy of his drama school's graduating class. Between the opening of Real Steel this weekend and the end of 2013 he'll star in six films ranging from The Wolverine's high octane action and the high notes of Les Misérables to the high comedy of Movie 43.

It seems apt that he'll also soon be starring in The Greatest Showman on Earth because he can do it all — in between action movies he can out-sing-and-dance anyone on the circuit — but it wasn't always that way.

"When I started acting I was the dunce of the class," he says.

Success in school, he says, came because of his work ethic, a trait he picked up from his father.

"He never took one day off in his life," he says. "Now, he had five kids he was bringing up on his own. If anyone deserved a day off it was my old man, but he never did. I learned that from him.

"There's always that feeling of, 'I have to work harder than everybody else. I'm not born Phillip Seymour Hoffman. I've got to just work harder and I'm prepared to do it."

Being the youngest of five children also contributed to his outlook. "I always wanted to do stuff and not be left out," he says, but adds, "I was quite a fearful kid, which I hated.

"I've always had a fear of fear. It's a weird to think back now but drama school, it is a pressure kind of situation. People get kicked out of drama school. You are constantly being judged on how you are doing, are you progressing, are you not.

"Almost everyday you had to get up and do a monologue. Sing a song. Do it in front of everybody.

"I noticed I was always first. I never wanted to sit there waiting.

"I'm not saying that out of courage. It was too uncomfortable to sit, stewing. I don't think I've told anyone else that."

Later, fear of unemployment pushed him to expand his talents.

"When I came out of drama school I was like, 'I'm going to do anything I can just to keep working.' In drama school you do Shakespeare to movement to circus skills to singing all in one morning. I know a lot of people hated it but I reveled in it. I loved it. It's weird how it evolved."

Toe-to-toe with Sugar Ray

For Real Steel, boxing legend Sugar Ray Leonard was tasked with both choreographing big robot-on-robot boxing matches and training Hugh Jackman to play a convincing trainer and former boxer.

But we at Metro thought he could use a real challenge: critiquing my boxing abilities. Leonard was a great sport about it. As for me? Well...

Sugar Ray Leonard: What's your best punch?

Ned Ehrbar: Um...

SRL: Show me your guard. [Ned stands up, puts up his fists.] You're a southpaw?

NE: No, I'm right-handed. [Ned switches position.]

SRL: Stand your regular way. OK, OK. Now jab. [Ned punches.]
No, jab. [Ned punches again.] That's your right hand. You're supposed to jab with your left.

NE: Oh, right. [Ned punches with his left hand. Sugar Ray laughs.]

SRL: When I say jab, I don't want you to do this. [punches slowly] If you did that to me, I'd see it coming a mile away. I had time to go to the bathroom before that punch lands. It's like this. [Sugar Ray throws a quick succession of jabs.] NED EHRBAR

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2190 McGillivray Blvd., 204-269-9981

30 Minutes or Less (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:40-7:30-10:15
Bad Teacher (14A) Fri-Sat 3:40-9:20 Sun-Thu 4:05-9:20
Bridesmaids (14A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:10-7:10-10:05
Cars 2 3D (G) Fri-Thu 12:55-3:50-6:40-9:30
The Change-Up (14A) Fri-Thu 2-4:30-7:40-10:25
Colombiana (14A) Fri-Thu 1:40-4:35-7:20-9:45
Cowboys & Aliens (14A) Fri-Thu 1:15-4-7-9:55
Final Destination 5 (18A) Fri-Sat 2:10-5-8-10:30 Sun-Thu 2:10-5-8-10:20
Friends With Benefits (14A) Fri-Thu 3:20-9
Horrible Bosses (14A) Fri-Thu 1:50-4:20-7:50-10:10
Kung Fu Panda 2 (PG) Fri-Thu 1-6:30
Mr. Popper's Penguins (STC) Fri-Thu 1:10-3:30-6:20-8:50
Transformers: Dark of the Moon 3D (PG) Fri-Sat 12:20-3:40-7:05-10:20 Sun-Thu 1:05-4:45-8:05
Zookeeper (PG) Fri-Sat 12:40-6:50 Sun-Thu 1:25-6:50

Cinema City Northgate
1399 McPhillips Street, 204-334-6234

30 Minutes or Less (14A) Fri 3:20-6-8-10:10 Sat-Sun 1:10-3:20-6-8-10:10 Mon-Thu 5:30-7:50
Cars 2 (G) Fri 4:10-6:40-9:10 Sat-Sun 1:20-4:10-6:40-9:10 Mon-Thu 4:50-7:30
The Change-Up (14A) Fri-Sun 4:20-9:20 Mon-Thu 7:40
Colombiana (14A) Fri 4-7:10-10 Sat-Sun 1:30-4-7:10-10 Mon-Thu 5:50-8:20
Cowboys & Aliens (14A) Fri 3:40-7-9:50 Sat-Sun 1-3:40-7-9:50 Mon-Thu 5:20-8:10
Kung Fu Panda 2 (PG) Fri 3:50 Sat-Sun 12:30-3:50 Mon-Thu 5:40
Mausam (STC) Fri 3:10-6:20-9:30 Sat-Sun 12-3:10-6:20-9:30 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:50
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Zookeeper (PG) Fri 6:50 Sat-Sun 1:40-6:50 Mon-Thu 5:10

Cinematheque
304-100 Arthur, 204-925-3457

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Eco-Pirate: The Story of Paul Watson (STC) Sun 7 Wed 9
No Films Showing Today (STC) Mon-Tue
Nuit Blanche (STC) Sat 9
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Dolphin Tale (G) Fri 6:40-9:10 Sat-Sun 1:20-4-6:40-9:10 Mon-Thu 5:50-8:20
I Don't Know How She Does It (PG) Fri 7:10-9:20 Sat-Sun 1:30-3:50-7:10-9:20 Mon-Thu 6-8
Moneyball (PG) Fri 6:30-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:40-3:30-6:30-9:30 Mon-Thu 5:30-8:20
Straw Dogs (STC) Fri 7-9:30 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:10-7-9:30 Mon-Thu 5:30-8

Grant Park 8 Cinemas
1120 Grant Ave., 204-453-4084

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▶ Brad Pitt's acting is effortless in Moneyball.

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IMAX Theatre at Portage Place
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Born to Be Wild 3D (G) Fri 11 Sat-Sun 12 Mon-Thu 11
Tornado Alley 3D (STC) Fri 7 Sat 6 Sun-Thu 7
Transformers: Dark of the Moon (PG) Fri 1:30-7:15 Sat 2:30-7:15 Sun 2:30
The Ultimate Wave Tahiti 3D (STC) Fri 12:10-6 Sat 1:15-6 Sun 1:15-5:30 Mon-Thu 12:15

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I Don't Know How She Does It (PG) Fri 9:15 Sat-Sun 1-3:30-9:15 Mon-Thu 9:15
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A real mystery man

Michael Emerson moves on from Lost with gritty gig on Person of Interest
Plays a presumed dead former-CIA agent who doles out vigilante justice

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Playing characters shrouded in mystery is becoming old hat for actor Michael Emerson, best known for his Emmy-winning turn as the inscrutable Ben Linus on Lost.

Now he's back in Person of Interest as Finch, a shadowy computer genius who sees the future.

Emerson ain't as lucky. Like the audience, he's not sure what future episodes will reveal about his new character.

"Once again, just like on Lost, I'm not sure where things are going," laughs Emerson.

"I'm just winging it, which I'm happy to do. It makes you anxious to read each script."

Emerson stars with Jim Caviezel in the fast-paced Person of Interest, which comes from the minds of writer Jonathan Nolan (The Dark Knight) and co-producer J.J. Abrams (Lost).

Part cop show/part sci-fi thriller, the series follows troubled CIA operative Reese (Caviezel) and the mysterious Finch as they attempt to solve murders — before they actually happen.

"They're a terrible odd couple. But they have to live through this series of hair-raising adventures," says Emerson, who sees very little of himself in Finch. So far.

"Well, I like to dress up and Finch is a smart dresser," he laughs. "Don't know enough about him yet."

MICHAEL MULLER/CBS

▶ Michael Emerson stars in Person of Interest

Making the transition from Lost's beautiful Hawaiian backdrop to the decidedly grittier New York setting has been easy for Emerson, whose acting resumé includes stints on Broadway.

He refers to the change as switching from "my second favourite island to my favourite one".

"It's turned out to be fun. We've shot over all the five boroughs. It's been like an obscure tour of unknown New York City."

Emerson admits that, as much as he loved his experience on Lost, he wasn't exactly unhappy when the show finally wrapped in 2010 after six seasons. That attitude may be changing.

"At the time, I was glad Lost was over, and glad to get back to the mainland," he says. "But recently I've been beginning to feel a little island nostalgia. I might be ready to go back."

PERSON OF INTEREST AIRS THURSDAYS ON CITYTV.

TV picks

▶ Joshua Jackson

Getting inside a killer's head

FRINGE. The mind-bending universe of Fringe appears to get more complicated on Friday as the Fringe teams work together on a serial killing case.

The murderer "over there" is building an impressive body count, but the case takes an interesting turn after the murderer's alternate identity "over here," a forensic psychologist, is brought into the investigation.

This opens up the possibility of transporting civilians from one universe to the other. (Citytv)

Getting thrown for little loop

SARAH MICHELLE GELLAR. There are dual personas over on Ringer, as well on Friday, where Sarah Michelle Gellar tackles the roles of a pair of twins in peril. Things get tense between Bridget and Andrew after she uncovers some information about him. (Global)

Prime Suspect, take two

HOMICIDE. The North American reboot of Prime Suspect airs as part of the jam-packed Thursday night lineup but gets a second life Saturdays for those who missed it or forgot to program their PVR.

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Jagger gets off his cloud

Frontman takes a break from Stones and an artistic risk with all-star group

CHARLES SYKES/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

▶ A.R. Rahman, left, and Mick Jagger are members of the all-star ensemble SuperHeavy.

Mick Jagger and Eurythmics founder Dave Stewart acknowledge that they took a gamble when they decided to form their all-star band, SuperHeavy. They had no idea if all the group's members, which include soulful singer-songwriter Joss Stone, Oscar-winning composer A.R. Rahman and reggae singer Damian Marley, would even have chemistry.

"We were just making music and if we didn't like it, we wouldn't use it," Stewart said. "We just did it because we wanted to do an experiment, and that got developed and more and more developed until in the end, this record appeared."

The result is a 12-track, self-titled album with a sound the group's members say cannot be placed into any specific genre. Jagger's legend was formed with the Rolling Stones and other successful musical collaborations, but he says none of that can be compared to his experience with SuperHeavy.

"Every time you get into a room even with the same people, it is different because people come up with different things. It was a really interesting collaboration. To be honest it was easy. It was really easy because we got things straight away. You are very soon encouraged," he said.

Jagger, Stewart, Stone and Rahman recently sat down for an interview with The Associated Press.

What were you looking for in picking members of this group?

Jagger: One thing serious that we did think about, we didn't want people with loads of entourages and that would have too big of egos. ... It is very quickly how human beings sort of adjust to each other's temperaments and creativity. It is just like being in a cocktail party with a group of people. Either the cocktail party is going to go well or it doesn't. It depends on the vibe.

Rahman: I don't know why they called me, first of all. I thought maybe they wanted my piano playing or my keyboard, or a string arrangement.

Musically, you were all pushed, working outside of your usual genres. Mick, you rapped?

Jagger: I was just copying Damian. I do a little bit. I went toasting, we call it, but it is the same thing (as rap).

Damian was doing this really good toasting, West Indian rapping, so I thought, "I could do that. It can't be that difficult." It actually was quite difficult. With a bit of practice, it is all right. It is a laugh.

Stone: It is funny. Sometimes listening to Damian talk would give me a melody. ... It helped when I couldn't come up with anything, I would just listen to Damian and have a little chat in the corner.

What was that first recording session like, getting all of these people together with different sounds from different backgrounds?

Stewart: What is unusual is having five writers who are songwriters, known for songwriting, all writing in the same room together at the same time. Writers are often known to be on their own, looking at the sea, out the window, with a pen or playing piano on their own. Then you have five people all staring at each other that are all used to writing songs, but that have to do it in front of each other now.

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Sounds Like. State of Shock

▶ Metro chats with Cam & Kadooh from Canadian Rock band State of Shock.

Dinner date — with whom and why?
Kadooh: Big Bird.
Cam: Humpty Dumpty. That'd be a great omelette. Or Colonel Sanders. I could go for some chicken.

What's your greatest fear?
Kadooh: Erectile dysfunction. I'm going with that.
Cam: Not a lot of fears, per se, 'cause everything's just kind of a risk in life, and I guess if you don't try it you're not gonna learn what not to do and what not to try. But I guess losing a loved one is my biggest fear.

What's your idea of a perfect day?
Cam: Somewhere on tour in front of a lot fans, playing a great show and having everyone singing back at you. Just having a good time — sitting back with the band and having some beers, probably poolside somewhere.

Where do you find inspiration?
Kadooh: Day-to-day life and people along the way.
Cam: Fans coming up to you after shows and saying that a particular song really meant something to them.

What's the last thing you say to yourself before a show?
Cam: Too late now!
Kadooh: Good luck.

Your last meal — what is it?
Cam: Chocolate. Everything chocolate. Chocolate cake, chocolate ice cream ... 'cause at that point, the intolerance doesn't matter.

To view Metro's interview with Cam & Kadooh, visit metronews.ca/scene

TALKIN' NAMES

SOUND CHECK

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One of the most hideous tasks of being in a band is coming up with a name. Consider:

1. Everyone in the band has to be happy with it. Good luck with that. Many baby bands have broken up because they couldn't agree on what to call themselves. Finding that consensus is torturous.

2. It has to be catchy, easy to remember and easy to spell. Your name is your brand, so it has to be something that captures the essence of the group's sound and image without sounding too stupid or pretentious.

3. Can you get the domain name? Before the Internet, this never used to be a problem. But if you're going to have a proper online presence, you need a proper Internet address. Oasis had to make due with Oasisinet.com (notice the extra "i" because a dating site already had Oasis.com and wasn't about to give it up.)

4. It must lend itself to good graphic design. Hey, if you can't make a cool logo from it, then you're limiting your appeal. Nine Inch Nails, Linkin Park, Led Zeppelin and the lips-and-tongue logo of the Rolling Stones are all brilliant examples.

5. And, most importantly, it has to be unique and unused by anyone anywhere in the world currently or in the past.

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Is Demi headed back to real-life Cougar Town?

Reports say Demi Moore and Ashton Kutcher's marriage is almost done

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Ashton Kutcher and Demi Moore

The marriage between Demi Moore and Ashton Kutcher is reportedly all but over, with just a potential $290 million divorce battle standing in their way, according to Star magazine.

Kutcher's alleged frolicking in San Diego last weekend — during their sixth anniversary — was apparently the last straw.

"Ashton was a serial cheater, and Demi just couldn't take it anymore. She didn't deserve to live that way. It's a painful time for Demi," a source says.

"It was definitely a long time coming, but they're finally done for good."

And if the couple's recent trip to New York was any indication, the split has been in the works.

"As far as I know, Demi ended up staying at her place on the Upper West Side and Ashton was (at the hotel) by himself," a source says.

"It was obvious to everyone around them that things were completely over between them and that they are just putting on a show until they officially split."

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Jay-Z

Does Jay know what girls like?

Beyoncé admits that her pregnancy might be driving a wedge between her and husband Jay-Z — at least where his cologne is concerned.

"I smell everything," she tells ET Canada. "If it smells bad, I smell it. My husband's fragrance, his one that I always love, I hate right now."

And while the pop star claims to not know the sex of the baby, sources tell Us Weekly that the couple has already picked out some pink Louboutin baby booties — and a name.

"Jay told his sister to order a whole wardrobe of baby-girl clothes," a source tells Us Weekly.

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Egg-cellent

Here's a tip for storing hard-cooked eggs:

• Cook 12 eggs at start of week to save time when you want a quick snack or to make a sandwich filling. You can keep hard-cooked eggs in the fridge for up to a week. THE CANADIAN PRESS/ EGG FARMERS OF ONTARIO

Scan this code for tips from the Egg Farmers of Ontario on cooking hard-boiled eggs.

Recreating Rioja's vibe

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If you love wine and have never been to Spain, you need to pack your corkscrew and go. I raved earlier this year after my first visit but, you know what, I just can't stop.

Wine to the Spaniards is like beer to us Canadians — especially in the country's most famous grape growing region of Rioja. You hit the town with your peeps, pick a local wine bar, have a glass of red along with a little tapas then move on the next spot and repeat.

You can recreate the vibe at home. The internet has dozens of sites dedicated to simple tapas recipes and well-made Rioja wines are easy to find.

The Montecillo 2008 Crianza ($14.95 - $19.99) is a perfect introduction to the region. Aged over two years, the juice is fresh and lively with a well-balanced cherry fruit and cedar-esque wood expression. It's a perfect partner for croquettes and empanadas and would make a great turkey wine for the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday. PRICES REFLECT THE RANGE ACROSS CANADA. SOME PRODUCTS MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE IN ALL PROVINCES.

Just keep on crackin'

Scrambled, hard boiled or sunny side up – however you like your eggs, there are ways to make them more creative Kids will love these ideas

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▶ Make two creatures with this recipe.

Egg Salad Creatures

Make silly creatures or faces with a mound of egg salad and some imagination. Use whatever edibles you have growing in the garden or extras in the fridge to fashion sprout hair, olive eyes, pickle noses and maybe even a cucumber moustache.

Set out garnishes and let the kids get creative by making their own variations on the faces and body parts of the little creatures.

Creature Garnish

Here are decoration ideas for Egg Salad Creatures.

- **Hair**
  Grated or string cheese, grated carrots, sprouts or curly lettuce
- **Eyes**
  Olives, cucumber, pickle slices or raisins
- **Nose**
  Slice of gherkin, pickle, pieces of carrot
- **Mouth**
  Wedge of cherry tomato, carrot or celery stick
- **Ears**
  Sliced cucumber or tomato
- **Whiskers or antennae**
  Carrot or celery sticks or sweet pepper strips

Preparation:

1. Peel and finely chop hard-cooked eggs and place mixing bowl. Add mayonnaise, mustard, and salt; stir gently together until combined.
2. Mound egg salad in two round scoops on plates.
3. Using pieces of vegetables, cheese, olives, pickles, etc., make features or body parts, create silly creatures or faces. (To make creature and face in photo, use cucumber slices for ears or body scales; wedge of cherry tomato for mouth; pieces of carrot for whiskers or tail; piece of string cheese for hair; raisins and sliced gherkins or olives for eyes; and cherry tomato or piece of cucumber for nose.) Serve with crackers.

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Ingredients:

- 4 hard-cooked eggs, peeled
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) salad dressing
- 5 ml (1 tsp) prepared yellow mustard
- Salt, to taste
- 1 small cucumber, cut into 10 slices
- 2 cherry tomatoes
- 1 baby carrot, cut into thin matchstick pieces
- 1 piece (2.5 cm/1 inch) string cheese
- 2 raisins
- 2 slices gherkin or small pickle
- 2 slices olive

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Grapefruit and Crab Salad

Todd English prefers a no-rules approach to salad making.

"That's what makes salads so great, their versatility and there are no rules so you get to be totally creative to make them into whatever you want!" English said.

He offers a recipe for Grapefruit and Crab Salad from his book, Cooking in Everyday English.

"The few ingredients I've used shine together. I thought about balance, such as the coolness of the crab with the acidity and tartness of the grapefruit, and the use of the coconut milk," he said.

Ingredients:

- 80 ml (1/3 cup) fresh lime juice (about 2 limes)
- 60 ml (1/4 cup) coconut water or coconut milk
- 60 ml (1/4 cup) canola oil
- 20 ml (4 tsp) fish sauce
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) minced dried Thai chilies (about 3 chilies)
- 450 g (1 pound) drained jumbo lump crabmeat, picked over to remove any shells
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) chopped fresh cilantro
- 3 red grapefruit, sectioned

Preparation:

1. In a medium bowl, whisk together the lime juice, coconut water or milk, canola oil, fish sauce and chilies.
2. In a large bowl, combine the crabmeat, cilantro and dressing, tossing well. Add the grapefruit sections, then toss gently.

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Catches of the day

Simple corn and pancetta salsa transforms sautéed bay scallops
Grapefruit and Crab Salad uses Thai techniques to create side dish

This simple and incredibly fast dinner is for those nights when you want something amazing but don't have the time or energy to be amazing in the kitchen.

In this recipe, the ingredients do all the work for you. Juicy bay scallops need nothing more than a quick trip in a very hot pan. Dressing them up calls for little more than browning some pancetta (buy the already chopped variety), then mixing in some fresh corn, onions and seasonings.

That's it. It's delicious, refreshing and beautiful enough to serve to company.

And feel free to play with the salsa ingredients. Peeled and diced cucumbers, pineapple, even chopped fresh strawberries would be great. And yes, the corn is used raw. It's delicious that way.

Serve this over rice or buttered toast as an open-face sandwich.

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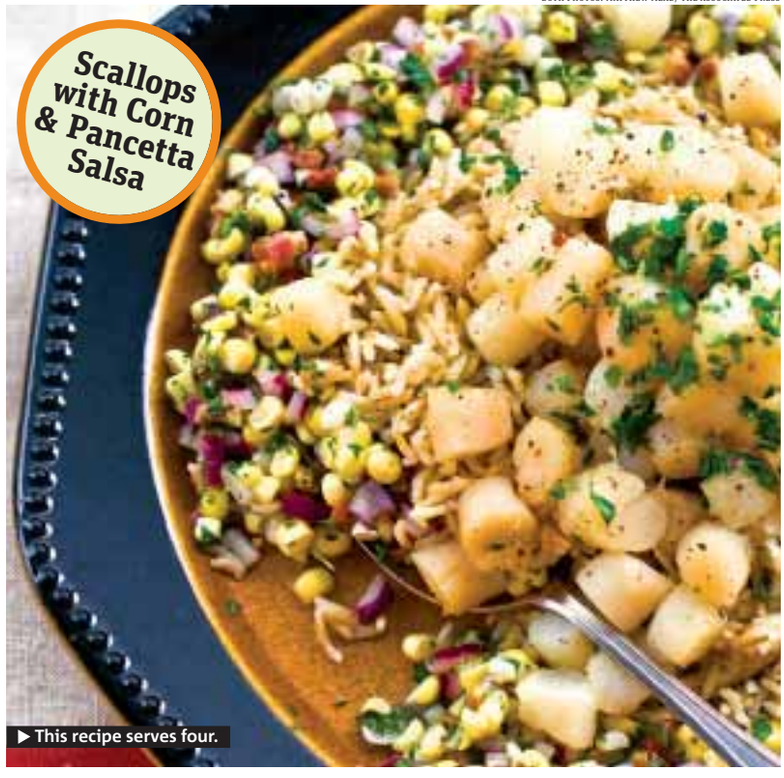

▶ This recipe serves four.

Preparation:

1. In skillet over medium-high, sauté pancetta until lightly browned, 6 to 8 minutes. Use a slotted spoon to transfer pancetta to a medium bowl. Stir in onion, jalapeno, lemon juice and cilantro. Remove corn kernels from cobs. To do this, stand each ear on its wide end, then saw down the length of the cob with a serrated knife.
2. Add corn kernels to salsa. Season with salt and pepper, then set aside.
3. Return skillet with pancetta drippings to medium-high heat. When pan is hot, add scallops and sauté for 3 to 4 minutes or until cooked through. Season scallops with salt and pepper, then serve with some of the corn salsa spooned over them.

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Ingredients:

- 60 g (2 oz) chopped pancetta
- 1 small red onion, diced
- 7 ml (1/2 tbsp) jarred jalapeno slices, minced
- Juice of 1 lemon
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) chopped fresh cilantro
- 3 ears fresh corn, husks removed
- Salt and black pepper
- 1 kg (2 lb) bay scallops, patted dry

4 sports

Blue Bombers a Buck short

Bombers host Montreal with Alex Brink at pivot • Sophomore makes second start with team • Pierce first bruised ribs in Sept. 11 loss to Saskatchewan • Led Bombers to win next game

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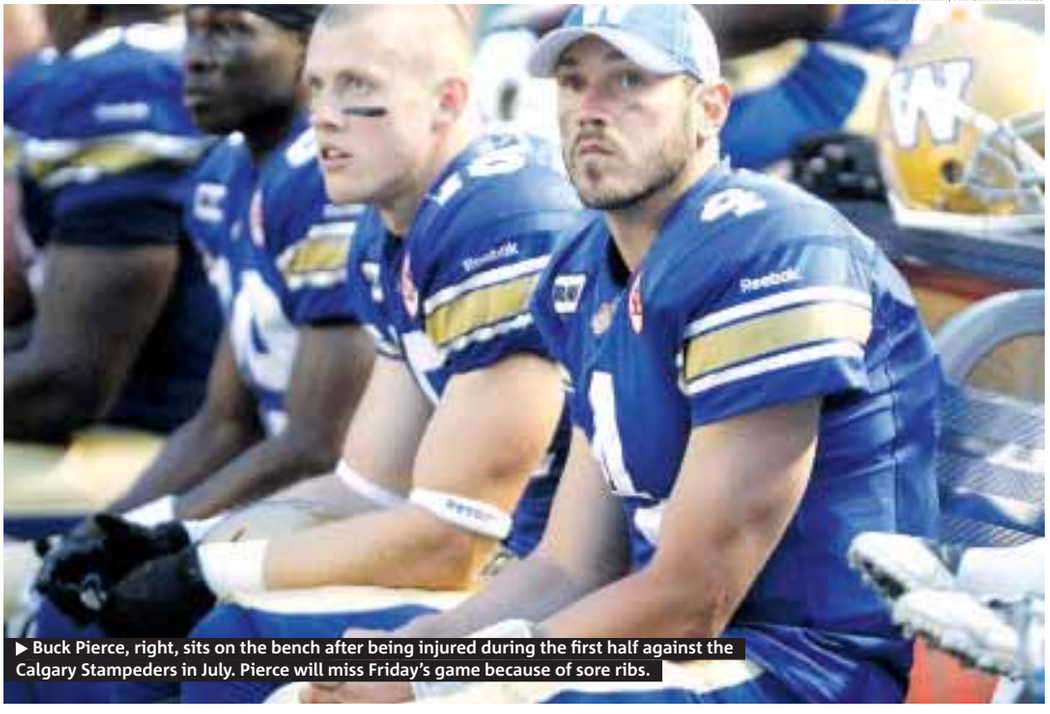

▶ Buck Pierce, right, sits on the bench after being injured during the first half against the Calgary Stampeders in July. Pierce will miss Friday's game because of sore ribs.

If Buck Pierce had his way, he'd be leading the Winnipeg Blue Bombers against the Montreal Alouettes on Friday night.

Instead, he'll be resting sore ribs on the sidelines.

Winnipeg head coach Paul LaPolice decided late Wednesday to sit the seven-year veteran for the crucial CFL East Division contest.

The Bombers enter the game atop the standings with a league-best 8-4 record, but Montreal is close behind with a 7-5 mark.

Pierce said he was disappointed with the move, but it makes sense.

Pierce re-aggravated a rib injury in last week's 25-24 road loss to Toronto, which was his career-high 12th straight start. LaPolice said the decision to sit him wasn't a difficult one.

"Buck just still had soreness," he said. "I think it was more sore than it was the previous time we played Montreal.

"When I heard that after talking with him, that made the decision easy."

Sophomore Alex Brink will make his second start with the Bombers, backed up by rookies Justin Goltz and Brandon Summers.

Brink dislocated the shoulder of his non-throwing arm in the fourth quarter of last week's loss and was replaced by Goltz. The shoulder was immediately reset and he said he feels fine.

Veteran pivot Michael Bishop arrived in Winnipeg this week. LaPolice said he'll soon sign a practice-roster agreement with the team he played for in 2009.

Montreal will be starting quarterback Anthony Calvillo, who's also coming off an injury that surprisingly isn't putting him on the bench.

The 18-year veteran was knocked unconscious in last week's win over Edmonton and sustained a concussion. He's since passed a number of tests under a protocol for concussions.

"There wasn't a point where I was getting headaches or dizziness," Calvillo said at the team's Winnipeg hotel.

Hearing Pierce wouldn't play didn't really surprise him.

"All I know is bruised ribs hurt very bad," Calvillo, 39, said. "Whether they're broken or bruised, it's very difficult to play with them so I give him a lot of credit for playing the last couple weeks and doing what he's been able to do.

"If he's sitting out, I think everybody knows that he's a true warrior and something's really bugging him."

Brink's first start for Winnipeg last Oct. 11 against B.C. was memorable for all the wrong reasons. He was booed by the home crowd in the first half and pulled in the third quarter after completing 4-of-18 passes for 61 yards. Steven Jyles replaced him and the Bombers won 47-35 in overtime.

This time around Brink thinks he's way more prepared. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

"It was coach LaPolice's decision and it's probably best to get me healthy down the stretch."
BUCK PIERCE ON THE DECISION TO REST HIM THIS WEEK

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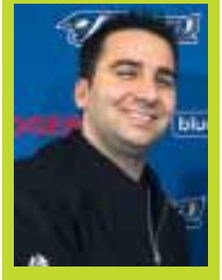

"Although the wins aren't the same, I think we're in a similar place. But I think our jumping-off point is much better. I think we have a better core in place right now."

TORONTO BLUE JAYS GM ALEX ANTHOPOULOS THURSDAY. THE JAYS FINISHED THE SEASON WITH AN 81-81 RECORD UNDER NEW MANAGER JOHN FARRELL. LAST YEAR UNDER CITO GASTON THE CLUB FINISHED 85-77.

Wild night like no other

‘That was probably the most dramatic day in the history of the game,’ says Rangers’ Michael Young

Jim Leyland was still dazed a day later. So were baseball fans everywhere, trying to explain one of the wackiest wrap-ups to the sport’s regular season.

Pitch by pitch, the playoff picture flipped. Startling collapses and stunning rallies left fans bleary-eyed and a little exhausted.

Midnight came, along with more madness. When it was over, Tampa Bay and St. Louis were in, Boston and Atlanta were out.

It was a harrowing task just keeping track of the four teams vying for wild-card berths in the National and American Leagues on Wednesday, the final day of the regular season.

Leyland, the 66-year-old manager of the Detroit Tigers, was riveted watching Boston and Tampa Bay play their games.

“You can’t explain this to people, the emotions in baseball. Even from our side. Just watching it. We became fans,” Leyland said. “I don’t know how it all happened. I still don’t. But it was amazing.”

The Yankees took a 7-0 lead into the eighth inning. But the Rays somehow rallied to make it 7-6 before little-used Dan Johnson — batting only .108 this year — launched a tying, pinch-hit home run with two outs and two strikes in the bottom of the ninth.

“The bottom line is, we failed. And our owners deserve better, the fans deserve better and we have to fix it. We’re going to take a look in the mirror and see if we’re the ones to fix it.”
RED SOX GM THEO EPSTEIN ON HIS TEAM’S COLLAPSE

Evan Longoria ended it in the 12th with a homer just inside the left-field foul pole for an 8-7 win that gave the Rays the AL wild-card spot and capped their rally from a nine-game deficit against Boston in the final 3 ½ weeks.

Ace Red Sox reliever Jonathan Papelbon took a 3-2 lead into the ninth at Baltimore. He was one strike away from finishing when the Orioles struck, and Robert Andino hit a single that left-fielder Carl Crawford couldn’t quite snag. The Orioles won 4-3.

The Braves let their last chance get away, too. Ahead of St. Louis by 10 ½ games in late August, Atlanta went into the final day of the regular season tied with the Cardinals for the NL wild-card.

St. Louis won early, leaving it up to the Braves. But rookie closer Craig Kimbrel blew a ninth-inning lead against Philadelphia, and the Phillies wound up winning 4-3 in the 13th.

“My mind was rushing,” Kimbrel said. “Things started moving too fast. My head started moving too fast. My brain. I didn’t put it together. It was just too late.” **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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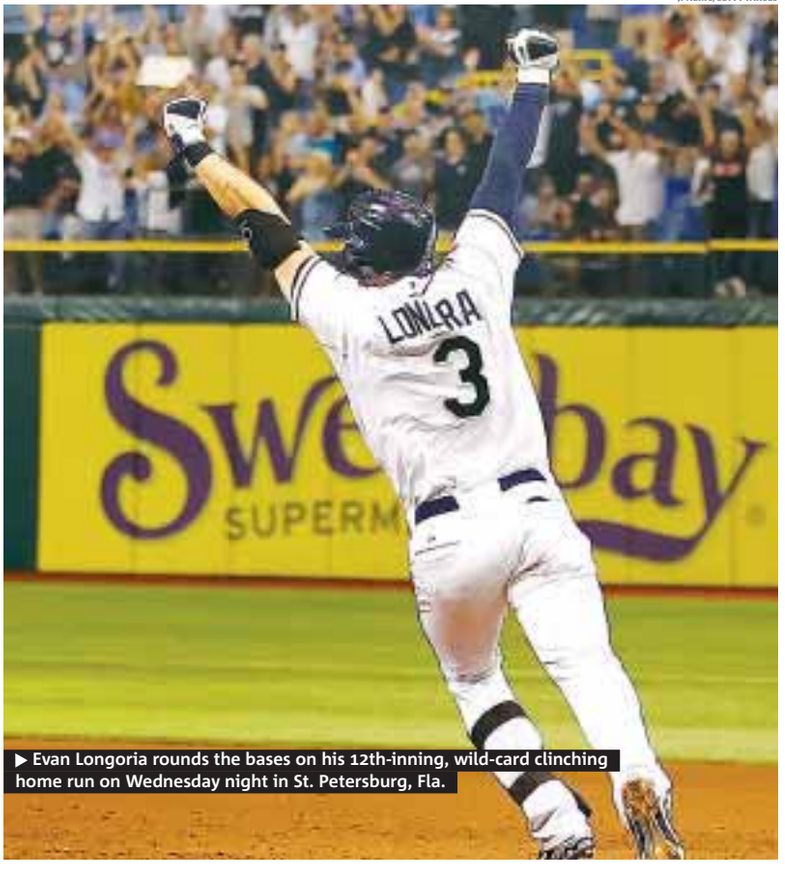

▶ Evan Longoria rounds the bases on his 12th-inning, wild-card clinching home run on Wednesday night in St. Petersburg, Fla.

MLB division series

▶ **American League**
Detroit Tigers vs. New York Yankees (Game 1, Friday 4:07 p.m.)
Tampa Bay Rays vs. Texas Rangers (Game 1, Friday 7:37 p.m.)

▶ **National League**
Arizona Diamondbacks vs. Milwaukee Brewers (Game 1, Saturday, 1:07 p.m.)
St. Louis Cardinals vs. Philadelphia Phillies (Game 1, Saturday, 4:07 p.m.)

Banana tosser ‘mortified’: Lawyer

A London, Ont., man who threw a banana at a black hockey player was only trying to keep his favourite team in the game and had no idea his actions could be construed as racist, his lawyer said Thursday.

Faisal Joseph said Chris Moorhouse is “mortified” and overcome with remorse for the incident.

Joseph said Moorhouse, 26, was caught up in the drama of the shootout when he lobbed the banana at Philadelphia Flyers forward Wayne Simmonds on Sept. 22.

Joseph said Moorhouse has freely confessed to throwing the fruit, which he bought at John Labatt Centre where the game was played. He had no idea that hurling bananas at black athletes could be seen as hateful or racially motivated, said Joseph in a telephone interview.

Moorhouse was officially charged Wednesday with engaging in a prohibited activity, an offence under the provincial Trespass to Property Act rather than the Criminal Code. If convicted, he faces a maximum fine of $2,000.

“He was horrified when he saw the implications a day later ... he said to me, ‘if I had an apple or an orange, I would have thrown that out onto the ice. I did not realize the significance.”
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Lions proving it’s not over till it’s over in CFL

CFL EXTRA POINTS

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The CFL’s reputation for producing unpredictable finishes and improbable storylines has only been enhanced in 2011.

After starting the season 0-5 and triggering calls for the firing of B.C. Lions head coach/GM Wally Buono, who could have imagined that those same Leos would transform into the league’s hottest team with five straight wins?

Fire Buono? Suddenly he’s a candidate for coach of the year.

B.C. (6-6) has moved within two points of a first-place tie with Calgary and Edmonton in the West with four of their last six games against division rivals.

The Lions should enjoy an added boost with their return to renovated B.C. Place stadium on Friday night against Edmonton in a West Division showdown. The Lions have four games down the stretch at the refurbished facility and the way things have gone, don’t be surprised if they’re back on the same field for the Grey Cup game Nov. 27.

Maritime miscalculation:
In Atlantic Canada there is serious interest in someday bringing a CFL team to Moncton. Yet despite the enthusiasm and good will, the second Touchdown Atlantic game last weekend was a bit of an embarrassment for the league. While everyone involved deserves praise for staging the event, a professional football game in a stadium that barely holds 20,000 fans is hardly befitting of a league always battling to be viewed as the “big time.” Last weekend’s Calgary-Hamilton clash looked a little like a high-school game in the undersized facility.

The league is likely to skip the Moncton game next season and return in 2013 while the Hamilton Tiger-Cats get a new stadium. Meanwhile, a franchise for the Maritimes seems light years away.

Goltz to be kidding:
It seems karma has caught up with the Winnipeg Blue Bombers. After blasting out of the gate at 7-1 and berating opponents, media and fans league-wide for “disrespecting” them, everything’s going wrong for the once-brash Blue.

The greatest worry in Winnipeg has been the precarious health of starting quarterback Buck Pierce. Now Pierce is hampered by injured ribs, backup Alex Brink is struggling with a shoulder injury and third-string quarterback Justin Goltz is, well, a third-string quarterback nobody’s ever heard of.

Goltz went 3-of-6 for 36 yards in last weekend’s loss to Toronto and you can pretty much write off the Bombers’ season if the offence now has to rely on his play.

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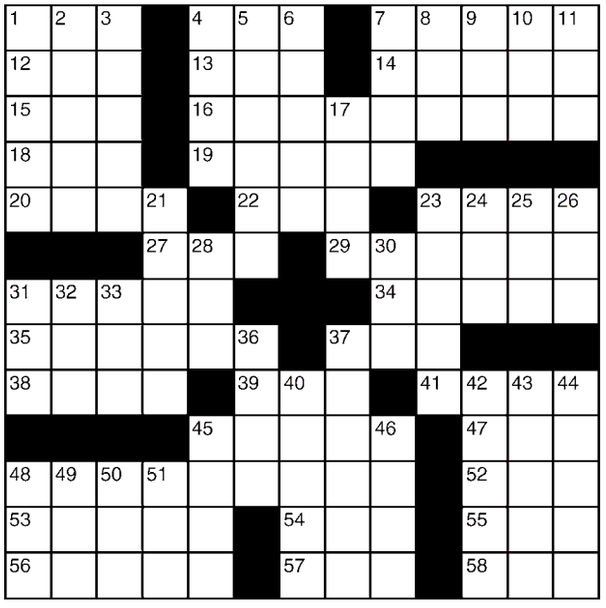

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27 Anger
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35 Skipped a big wedding
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▶ Yesterday's answer

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How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

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Today's horoscope

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 You won't find it hard to persuade those you live and work with to see things your way today.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 You must be careful today about taking on new duties and responsibilities.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 This is by any standards one of the very best times of the year for you. Be first and be the best.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 The problem you'll be confronted with today is one you've dealt with before. Learn from the past.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 Today's Sun-Mars link could herald the start of a new and exciting phase romantically. Be passionate!

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 You seem to have a secret admirer. This can be turned to your advantage.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 The challenges ahead of you may be daunting but you will come through them all with ease.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Today, you will be happier working behind the scenes than getting up in front of lots of people.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Get together with people who share your aims and ideals to start putting your big ideas into action.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 The more you assert yourself, the more others will assume it is the natural way of things.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 Today, at home and at work, you will shine like never before.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. You may be tempted to own up to an indiscretion, but is it the best decision? **SALLY BROMPTON**

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